

Fifty-fifth Commencement

Winter 2010

MSSU
MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY

Points of Pride

Quality faculty, academic programs, and facilities ...

- With nearly 100 declared majors, Missouri Southern's **INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING** program has more than doubled in the past three years.
- MSSU's Forensics (Debate and Speech) squad captured the first place sweepstakes Lincoln-Douglas (LD) debate trophy at the "74 Swing" Tournament at Illinois State University, Normal, Ill., in October. **ALL FOUR MSSU DEBATERS QUALIFIED FOR THE NATIONAL FORENSICS ASSOCIATION (NFA) NATIONAL TOURNAMENT** to be held in April 2011. Southern's Forensics squad includes Michael Baca, senior Communication major, Neosho; Kyle Buzzard, senior Political Science major, Lamar; Michael Johnson, senior Teacher Education major, Ft. Scott, Kan.; and Rayce Lashley, junior Communication major, Carthage.
- This fall the University opened its 85,000-sq.-ft. **HEALTH SCIENCES BUILDING**, which provides state-of-the-art labs, classrooms and other resources for Nursing, Dental Hygiene, Respiratory Care, Radiologic Technology, Kinesiology and Psychology students.
- The publication *G.I. Jobs* once again has included Missouri Southern State University on the publication's 2011 list of **MILITARY FRIENDLY SCHOOLS**. The list honors the top 15 percent of colleges, universities and trade schools which are doing the most to embrace America's veterans as students.

Outstanding athletic programs ...

- Missouri Southern senior distance runner **VICTORIA KLINE**, Miami, Okla., has been selected as the NCAA Division II Elite 88 Award recipient for the sport of Women's Cross Country. Kline, a graduate of Fairland High School, has maintained a perfect 4.0 grade point average in education at Southern. The Elite 88, an award founded by the NCAA, recognizes the true essence of the student-athlete by honoring the individual who has reached the pinnacle of competition at the national championship level in his or her sport, while also achieving the highest academic standard among his or her peers. The Elite 88 is presented to the student-athlete with the highest cumulative grade-point average participating at the finals site for each of the NCAA's 88 championships.

Exceptional students ...

- Missouri Southern **STUDENTS GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY** in many ways. Student organizations support many local charitable and service groups through service projects. For example, students from MSSU's University Experience classes and other participants in campus organizations contributed nearly 2,000 non perishable food items to Joplin's Souls Harbor Mission.
- Seven **MSSU LEGISLATIVE INTERNS** recently formalized their commitment to serve local legislators during the next legislative session. Interns provide key services on behalf of legislators and their constituents and gain invaluable experience. MSSU legislative interns include Taylor Haas, freshman Political Science major from Carthage; Tristan Routledge, sophomore Political Science major, Nathan Hicks, senior Political Science major, Laura Barr, senior Political Science major, and Johnny Verstraete, sophomore Political Science major, all from Joplin; and Michael Alden, sophomore Political Science Major, and Ben Harrison, junior Creative Writing major, both from Lamar.

Successful graduates ...

- DEBI DURHAM**, '84, (Marketing and Management), President, Siouxland Chamber of Commerce and The Siouxland Initiative, Sioux City, Iowa, was named by Iowa Gov.-elect Terry Branstad to head the Iowa Department of Economic Development in the Branstad administration. In 2003, Debi was named to the Junior Achievement Hall of Fame. In both 2007 and 2008, her leadership contributed to the Siouxland metro's recognition as the top economic development community in the United States by Site Selection magazine.
- RALPH L. GRAY**, '75, (Business Administration), restaurateur, developer and entrepreneur, led the effort to fund the restoration of the Mission Hills Mansion, now known as the Ralph L. Gray Alumni Center. The historic building on MSSU's campus re-opened this fall. The Mission Hills Mansion, built in the Spanish motif by Lucius P. "Buck" Buchanan in the early 1920s, is the oldest building on the MSSU campus. It will now be the permanent home of the MSSU Alumni Association, which raised approximately \$1.8 million for renovation project.

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***The MSSU Bookstore in Billingsly Student Center will be open from 9 A.M. - 1 P.M.
for your convenience and a Spirit Store is available near the main entrance.***

*KGCS and the student broadcast group, the National Broadcasting Society,
will produce DVD copies of today's ceremony. Order forms are
available on the program tables located at the entrances.*

*While every effort is made to ensure accuracy in this program, graduation filing deadlines, printing deadlines and degree audit
adjustments can prevent inclusion of graduates' names or may result in publishing names of individuals not completing degree
requirements. This program, therefore, should not be used to determine a student's official academic or degree status.*

Fifty-fifth Commencement

10:00 A.M. Saturday, December 18, 2010 • Leggett & Platt Athletic Center

Cooperative Graduate Programs • School of Arts & Sciences • School of Business Administration
School of Education • School of Technology • Bachelor of General Studies • Associate Degrees

Processional: "Pomp and Circumstance"	Elgar <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
Invocation	Dr. Glenn Coltharp <i>Dean, School of Education, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Welcome and Introductions	Dr. Bruce W. Speck <i>President, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Commencement Speaker	Dr. John E. Jungmann <i>Monett R-1 School District Superintendent of Schools</i>
Presentation of Graduate Class	Dr. AJ Anglin <i>Vice President for Academic Affairs, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Conferring of Graduate Degrees	Dr. Bruce W. Speck
Master's Hooding	Dr. Thad Wilson, RN <i>Associate Dean for Clinical Programs, University of Missouri-Kansas City</i>

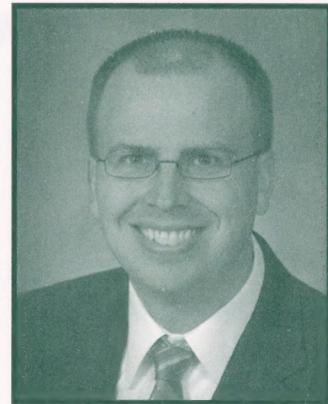
Presentation of Baccalaureate Degrees

Introduction of Degree Candidates	Mr. Jeff Skibbe <i>General Manager, 88.7KXMS/Fine Arts Radio International, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Presentation of Class	Dr. AJ Anglin
Conferring of Degrees	Dr. Bruce W. Speck
	Presentation of Diplomas
Congratulatory Remarks	Dr. Cheryl Cifelli <i>President, Faculty Senate, Missouri Southern State University</i>
Announcement of Academic Honors	Dr. AJ Anglin
Turning of the Tassel	Mr. Paul Kern, '75 <i>President, Missouri Southern Alumni Association</i>
MSSU Alma Mater (See page 18)	Ms. Mary Schwab <i>Senior Vocal Music Education Major, Carthage</i>
Benediction	Dr. Glenn Coltharp
Recessional "Sine Nomine"	R.V. Williams & E. Rosenberg <i>Missouri Southern Commencement Ensemble</i>
Sign Language Interpreter	Ms. Melissa Smith

Please remain standing until recessional is completed. • Please turn off all beepers/cell phones

Dr. John E. Jungmann
Commencement Speaker

John E. Jungmann, Ed.D., District Superintendent of Schools for the Monett R-1 School District, grew up in Lamar. He is a 1998 graduate of Missouri Southern State University and received a Master of Science in Education degree and Specialist in Educational Administration degree from Missouri State University.



Dr. Jungmann earned his Doctorate in Education degree from the University of Arkansas in 2006.

In his 12 years of serving public schools in Southwest Missouri, Dr. Jungmann taught high school English in the Lamar R-1 School District (1998-2002) and served as the Assistant High School Principal (2003-2004), Middle School Principal (2005-2008), and Superintendent of Schools (2008-current) in the Monett R-1 School District.

Dr. Jungmann was recognized by his peers as the New Superintendent of the Year in Southwest Missouri during the 2009-2010 school year and currently serves as the President of Southwest Missouri Association of School Administrators and Southern's Organization of Superintendents.

Dr. Jungmann and his wife, Kerry, also a native of Lamar, have two daughters, Halle and Macie.

The Jungmann family resides in Monett.

Cooperative Graduate Programs

Missouri Southern State University/University of Missouri-Kansas City

Master of Science in Nursing

Heiser, Kimberly Ruth

Nursing
Nixa

Metheny, LeAnn W. ‡

Nursing
Springdale, AR

Standefer, Angela Denise ‡

Nursing
Rogersville

Mary, Angela Aileen ‡

Nursing
Walnut Grove

Milburn, JaNena Grace

Nursing
Chandler, OK

Teel, Kevin Michael ‡

Nursing
Joplin

Candidates for Honors & Degrees

Baccalaureate Degrees

Summa Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.90 or above

Arnold, Elizabeth I.
Carpenter, Beverly A.
Chapman, Ashton Lauren ‡
Cornelison, Amanda Kay

Green, Brandon R.
Hardee, Rachel Michelle
Heidlage, Jamie Lynn

Osborne, Alicia Anne
Porter, Ashley Myria
Randolph, Velvet M.

Robison, Kelly Michelle ‡
Russell, Peter Damien ‡
Sheets, Jill Ellen

Magna Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Albious, Maeghan L.
Crane, Jamie L.
Crawford, Aryn L. †
Gordon, April D.

Helton, Samantha Alivia
King, Rebecca Marie
Parks, Amelia Beth
Patton, Jenna Nichole

Pawlus, Mishelle Marie
Richardson, Alice Faye
Robinson, Patricia Jean
Roderique, Emily Ann

Vogt, Ellen M.
Warmoth, Anthony Wayne
Weaver, Rachael LaNell

Cum Laude

Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Belcher, Hannah M.
Bigby, Mitchell James
Brown, Kandace M.
Gilstrap, Stacia J.

Hirsch, Lori A.
Holt, Amanda N.
Julien, Donnatela

Lairmore, Brooke Lachelle
Orear, Kayla Lynn
Russell, Ashlee Jordan

Vernon, Christi J.
Warren, Rhonda Michelle
Williams, Beth Ann

Associate Degrees

First Honors • Grade point average 3.90 or above

Green, Brandon R.

Second Honors • Grade point average 3.80 - 3.89

Ramoly, Catherine A.

Vogt, Ellen M.

Third Honors • Grade point average 3.70 - 3.79

Williams, Beth Ann

School of Arts & Sciences

Bachelor of Arts

Agee, Jason
English
Mindenmines

Akin, Kelsey
French
Neosho

Bell, Michael D.
Sociology, Spanish
Neosho

Brown, Briauna Cherrese
Communication-Mass
Joplin

Caruthers, Monica Danielle
Art-Graphic
Lamar

Crawford, Aryn L. †
Sociology
Joplin

Dixon, Andrew Lawrence Wayne
Communication-Speech
Raytown

Foster, Christopher Michael
History
Monett

Garrett, Bradley Rex
Spanish
Bentonville, AR

Gowdy, Sarah Lynn
History
Bentonville, AR

Grau, Beverly Arlene
International Studies
Monroe, WI

Hall, Amber Rae
English-Literary Studies
Rogers, AR

Hammond, Kelley Michelle
French
Monett

Hines, Caitlyn Brooke
International Studies
Neosho

Howard, Kelli P.
History
Grove, OK

Manley, Todd G.
Theatre
Carthage

Martin, Tasha Dionne
English- Literary Studies,
English- Professional/Technical Writing
Joplin

Miranda, Erica Rene
Communication- Mass
Joplin

Nash, Andrew G.
Music
Salem, IL

Oberdick, Heather Michele
German
Independence

Ockert, John Franklin
History, German
Joplin

Oliver, Daniel Wayne
Art-Graphic
Joplin

Parks, Amelia Beth
Communication-Speech
Joplin

Randolph, Velvet M.
Music
Joplin

Robinson, Patricia Jean
Communication-Public Relations
Joplin

Salmon, Amber Michelle
English
Joplin

Sheets, Jill Ellen
English
Carthage

Veytovich, Michael Shannon
Communication-Mass
Carrollton, TX

Virtue, Jamie Lee
International Studies
Carthage

Welters, Teresa Kaye
Spanish
Verona

Yang, Xong Sony
International Studies
Sarcoxie

Bachelor of Science

Beckett, Patrick Wayne <i>Physics, Mathematics</i> Joplin	Heidlage, Jamie Lynn <i>Sociology</i> Pierce City	Nance, Jeremy Charles <i>Communicaton-Speech</i> Spring, TX	Russell, Jonathan Allen <i>Political Science</i> Joplin
Biddlecome, Danielle Nichole <i>Sociology</i> Goodman	Hopping, Nancy Elizabeth <i>Biology</i> Miami, OK	Orear, Kayla Lynn <i>Biology</i> Hume	Russell, Louis W. <i>Biology</i> Webb City
Cornelison, Amanda Kay <i>Biology</i> Crocker	Lairmore, Brooke Lachelle <i>Communication-Mass</i> Springfield	Paylor, Keaton Mark <i>Biology</i> Hermitage	Smith, Andre Lamont <i>Communication-Mass</i> New Castle, DE
Dodson, Benjamin Randall <i>Communication-Mass</i> Joplin	Martin, Alicia Dawn <i>Communication-Public Relations</i> Joplin	Poindexter, Asher James <i>Sociology</i> Raytown	Stahl, Whitney Sann <i>Biology</i> Joplin
Dowell, Nathan Aaron <i>Biochemistry</i> Joplin	Medcalf, Alonzo Lamar <i>Communication- Mass</i> St. Louis	Quinn, Stephanie Marie <i>Communication-Public Relations</i> Joplin	Treadwell, Taquitta Chantal <i>Biology</i> St. Louis
Epperson, Penny L. <i>Sociology</i> Joplin	Murrow, Jodi Renee <i>Sociology</i> Blue Mound, KS	Robinson, Brandon Richard Kye <i>Sociology</i> Joplin	Vaughn, Samantha J. <i>Biology</i> Carl Junction
Haring, Nicholas Lyle <i>Communication-Mass</i> West Plains	Myers, Michael Joseph <i>Biology</i> Joplin	Russell, Ashlee Jordan <i>Communication- Mass</i> Ponce de Leon	Watson, Jon David <i>Chemistry</i> Joplin
Harkins, Billy Dewayne <i>Environmental Health</i> Joplin			

School of Business Administration

Bachelor of Science in Business Administration

Aiono, Anthon V. Management Joplin	Casas-Cordero, Maria Marketing Joplin	Eubanks, Krystal Lynn Management Joplin	Hutchcraft, Leah Ann Marketing, Management Joplin
Alley, Logan Christine Finance/Economics- Personal Financial Planning Joplin	Chandler, Patricia Ann Accounting Fort Bliss, TX	Fink, Tresha Ann General Business Joplin	Jarvenpaa, Jarkko Johannes International Business, Marketing Tampere, Finland
Asma, Neelum Management Joplin	Claude, Marc Ruben Accounting Port Au Prince, Haiti	Folbre, Paul Garrett Marketing Joplin	Jenkins, Drew C. Marketing, Management Joplin
Baker, Katrina Marie Marketing Bentonville, AR	Cole, Kodi J. International Business Joplin	Freitag, Patrishia Stephanie Accounting Joplin	Jones, Brien P. Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Bella Vista, AR
Bazile, Claude Stanley Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Cayes, Haiti	Constant, Ajala Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Port Au Prince, Haiti	Gleason, William Tyler Management Joplin	Julien, Donnatela Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Port Au Prince, Haiti
Beard, Tiffany Michelle Accounting, Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Asbury	Coombe, James Paul Marketing Carthage	Griffith, Taylor Alan Marketing, Management Carthage	Kelling, Scott Andrew Management Kansas City
Bernhardt, Amber Marie Management Kansas City	Delaunay, Jared M. Management Neosho	Gunlock, Tara Cherie Management Joplin	Lechner, Brian Alan Accounting Neosho
Bisbee, Brook M. Management, Marketing Carthage	Doss, Donald Charles Marketing Webb City	Hammond, Kelley Michelle International Business Monett	Litchfield, Charles Dale Management Granby
Boyer, Christy Ann Management Neosho	Dyer, Jeffrey Scott International Business Granby	Hayes, Allison D. Management Galena, KS	Maffei, Jr., Christopher R. Management Parsons, KS
Brown, Kandace M. Management Exeter	Earhart, Phaedra Linette Management Joplin	Hergert, Keenan Benjamin Accounting, Management Joplin	Manley, Morgan Paige Marketing Parsons, KS
Burleson, Victoria Alexandra Management Joplin	Eddy, David Michael Management, Marketing Webb City	Hernandez, Melissa Marie Accounting Grove, OK	Martinez, Dalila Accounting Carthage
Cardona, Ricardo Marketing Joplin	England, Kristin Richelle Accounting Exeter	Holt, Amanda N. Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Joplin	Mason, Brett Anthony Management Wheaton

Matthews, Robert Wayne General Business Galena, KS	Pippin, Tasha N. Accounting Washburn	Skaggs, Jeffery E. Management, Marketing Seneca	Tran, Thomas H. Management Joplin
McAllister, Gavin Michael Accounting Webb City	Porter, Ashley Myria Accounting Exeter	Skaggs, Tyler L. Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Joplin	Warren, Rhonda Michelle Management, Human Resource Management Neosho
McBride, Rachel Marie Accounting Carthage	Reynolds, Sarah McGee Accounting Joplin	Smallwood, James L. Accounting Neosho	Weaver, Rachael LaNell Marketing Joplin
McCluskey, Danielle Alia Marketing Joplin	Roberts, James William General Business Mt. Vernon	Spradling, Bobbie Gail Finance/Economics- Chartered Financial Analyst Joplin	Welters, Teresa Kaye Marketing Verona
Moreno, Anavel Management Monett	Robison, Kelly Michelle ‡ Accounting Webb City	Spratt, Howard Steven Management Mt. Vernon	Williams, Firmin M. Management Batesville, AR
O'Dougherty, Anthony Michael Marketing Joplin	Ryan, Kellen D. Marketing Galena, KS	Stigall, Preston Douglass Management Mountain Grove	Woolard, Jacob Daniel Management Stella
Overton, Barry J. International Business, Marketing Neosho	Shaw, Ashley Renee Marketing Joplin	Stokes, Marcy Ann Management Bentonville, AR	Wormington, Lauren R. Marketing, Management Neosho
Packer, Jamie A. Management Warrenton, OR	Silverberg, Shamshinur Idris Accounting Joplin	Stout, Tiffany JaNae Management Joplin	Wrestler, Charlotte Accounting Lamar
Parker, Aaron Wendell Management Norman, OK	Simon, Gaelle Finance/Economics- Certified Financial Management Delmas, Haiti	Thomas, Tami Michelle Accounting Richards	Wyler, Shara Megan General Business Joplin
Patrick, Bryan Andrew Marketing Joplin	Simpson, Kane F. International Business Rogers, AR	Thompson, Robin D. Management Lamar	Yeary II, Truman C. Accounting Joplin
Phillips, Amanda Gayle Accounting Exeter	Sincelair, Suzette Accounting Port Au Prince, Haiti		Zephir, Samuel Accounting Port Au Prince, Haiti

School of Education

Bachelor of Arts

Bumann, Tiffany Joy*Psychology*

Fayetteville, AR

Conlon-Kremer, Alex Michael*Psychology*

Joplin

Gordon, April D.*Psychology*

Granby

Richardson, Alice Faye*Psychology*

Joplin

Chapman, Ashton Lauren ‡*Psychology*

Joplin

Gilstrap, Stacia J.*Psychology*

Diamond

Parks, Matthew Dale*Psychology*

Joplin

Browder, Jr., John Paul*Health Promotion and Wellness*

Carthage

Chavez, Irais M.*Psychology*

Fulton

Norman, Isaac*Psychology*

Jenks, OK

Russell, Peter Damien ‡*Psychology*

Neosho

Brown, Casey N.*Health Promotion and Wellness*

Diamond

Compton, Heather A.*Psychology*

Joplin

Parrigon, Justin Derek*Psychology*

Pierce City

Salzer, Melody Jan*Psychology*

Joplin

Burkett, Anita Jane*Psychology*

Joplin

Ellington, Abbey Lynn*Psychology*

Joplin

Perry, James Kyle*Psychology*

Joplin

Seufert, Elizabeth Danielle*Psychology*

Wentworth

Camacho, Liliana Y.*Psychology*

Lowell, AR

Johnson, Jonathan Louis*Health Promotion and Wellness*

St. Peters

Reeves, Barbara A.*Psychology*

Joplin

Tramell, Benjamin Wayne*Psychology*

Quapaw, OK

Bachelor of Science in Education

Albious, Maeghan L. Elementary Education Joplin	Cummings, Dawnelle N. Elementary Education Carl Junction	Hauck, Kevin Wayne Secondary Education- Physical Education St. James	Mulholland, Edmund J. Secondary Education-Business Jefferson City
Arnold, Elizabeth I. Elementary Education Neosho	Daugherty, Brea N. Elementary Education Mt. Vernon	Helton, Samantha Alivia Elementary Education Houston, TX	Myers, C.J. Secondary Education- Physical Education Carthage
Belcher, Hannah M. Elementary Education Galveston, TX	Deckard, Laura Beth Secondary Education-English Carthage	Hinkle, Whitney L. Elementary Education Bronaugh	Nelson, Melissa Dawn Elementary Education Carl Junction
Bigby, Mitchell James Secondary Education- Physical Education Miami, OK	Dunham, Leah F. Secondary Education- Biology/Unified Science Independence, KS	Hirsch, Lori A. Elementary Education Seneca	Pawlus, Mishelle Marie Elementary Education Joplin
Bowers, Julie Ellen Elementary Education Neosho	Eagleshield, Lacey Nicole Secondary Education-Art Joplin	Hucke, Kyleigh R. Elementary Education Parsons, KS	Ramsey, Angela Paige Secondary Education-Biology/Unified Science Joplin
Boyles, Trisha K. Secondary Education- English El Dorado Springs	Elder, Lara Kristine Middle School Education- Social Studies/ Science Joplin	Johnson, Matthew Bradford Secondary Education- Physical Education Miller	Rea, James Robert Secondary Education- Social Science/ History Wyandotte, OK
Bright, Jason D. Secondary Education - Social Science/ History Granby	Flory, Faith Lynn Elementary Education Joplin	King, Rebecca Marie Elementary Education Joplin	Roderique, Emily Ann Secondary Education-English Webb City
Buffington, Ryan Robert Secondary Education-Physical Education Bolivar	Frakes, Shelby L. Elementary Education Joplin	Land, Katelin Leigh Elementary Education Webb City	Royster, Cameron B. Secondary Education- Business Carl Junction
Burr, Jennifer Elementary Education Loma Linda	Gilstrap, Casey M. Elementary Education Neosho	Leggett, Chelsi Jo Secondary Education- Physical Education Oronogo	Sewell, Brittany Nicole Elementary Education Webb City
Carpenter, Beverly A. Elementary Education Carthage	Gray, Danna S. Secondary Education-Art Lee's Summit	Lynch, Stephen E. Secondary Education-English Joplin	Short, Stacie S. Elementary Education Joplin
Coate, Ashlee Victoria Elementary Education Joplin	Griffith, Michael Scott Secondary Education-Vocal Pineville	Martin, Erica D. Elementary Education Carthage	Siler, Ashley Marie Secondary Education-Physical Education Granby
Crane, Jamie L. Secondary Education- Social Science/ History Stark City	Hammer, Alicia A. Elementary Education Joplin	Mays, Amanda Gayle Elementary Education Joplin	Simons, Michelle Anne Secondary Education- Physical Education St. James
Crocker, Cody D. Elementary Education Neosho	Hardee, Rachel Michelle Secondary Education-Art Miami, OK	Morgan, Lauren H. Elementary Education Miami, OK	Smith, Brandon Lynn Secondary Education-Physical Education Carl Junction

Spencer, Julie Marie
Secondary Education-English
Kirbyville

Stang, Kalissa Marie
Elementary Education
Joplin

Stefan, Mark G.
Secondary Education- Business
Webb City

Stites, Felicia Nicole
Elementary Education
Anderson

Thompson, Kalyn Elizabeth
Elementary Education
Galena, KS

Todd, Lindi Michelle
Secondary Education-English
Olathe, KS

Vernon, Christi J.
Elementary Education
Ellisville

Vice, Christina Ellen
Secondary Education- Biology/Unified
Science
Duenweg

Williams, Jacob Martin
Secondary Education- Physical Education
Joplin

Wilson, Stefanie R.
Elementary Education
Carl Junction

School of Technology **Bachelor of Science**

Barnes, Mysha Marie
Criminal Justice Administration
Milwaukee, WI

Beal, Justin R.
Criminal Justice Administration
Owasso, OK

Bracken, Stephanie M.
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Bright, Summer Coleen
Health Science
Webb City

Browning, John M.
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Carter, Sterling
Criminal Justice Administration
Arlington, TX

Chentnik, Nicole Dauraye
Health Science
Carl Junction

Claussen, Marsha Garnett
Health Science
Granby

Coil, Sara E.
Criminal Justice Administration
Waukee, IA

Colbert, Fred D.
Criminal Justice Administration
Alhambra, CA

Cooper, Joseph M.
Criminal Justice Administration
Purdy

Cowper, Justin Colby
Industrial Engineering Technology
Opelika, AL

Cruse, Christopher Allan
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Edwards, Christopher L.
Criminal Justice Administration
Springfield

Eidem, Aaron Joseph
Criminal Justice Administration
Webb City

Fahrig, Marissa Sue
Health Science
Joplin

Frazier, Kelli D.
Health Science
Joplin

Gariss, Samuel M.
Industrial Engineering Technology
Lamar

Gaskin, Brenda Kay
Criminal Justice Administration
Myrtle Creek, OR

Gerbitz, Satia LeAnn
Health Science
Joplin

Gibbs, Bradley Columbus
Criminal Justice Administration
Rolla

Golden, Ashley Rae
Criminal Justice Administration
Carthage

Green, Brandon R.
Criminal Justice Administration
Seneca

Hakala, Jr., Paul Joseph
Criminal Justice Administration
Carthage

Hall, Ronda Lynn
Criminal Justice Administration
Wyandotte, OK

Harry, Aaron Amos
Medical Technology
Tortola, British Virgin Islands

Hembree, Aaron James
Criminal Justice Administration
Joplin

Hood, Jeanne Marie
Criminal Justice Administration
Carl Junction

Jasper, Tim R.
Criminal Justice Administration
Buffalo

Johns, Lindsay Rose
Justice Studies
Joplin

Kerr, Shellie Leigh
Health Science
Seneca

King, Gena Kristine
Criminal Justice Administration
Carl Junction

Kirkland, Britnay Faye
Criminal Justice Administration
Loma Linda

Langland, Lauren Hannah
Health Science
Joplin

Liles, Rebekah Lynn
Health Science
Webb City

McGuire, Michael Allen
CIS- Information Technology
Lake St. Louis

McIntosh, Sara J. <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Diamond	Osborne, Alicia Anne <i>Health Science</i> Joplin	Roush, Brittany Alexzandra <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Joplin	Turk, Adam D. <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Baldwin City, KS
McPherson, Patrick Ryan <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Joplin	Osburn, Jetta S. <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Neodesha, KS	Scott, Anna Catherine <i>Health Science</i> Rogers, AR	Vogt, Ellen M. <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Carthage
Mitchell, Aimee V. <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Carthage	Parsons, Cody A. <i>CIS- Information Technology</i> Joplin	Senseney, Carlie Gail <i>Health Science</i> Exeter	Wagner, Kayla D. <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Joplin
Neatherry, James R. <i>Industrial Engineering Technology</i> Carthage	Patton, Jenna Nichole <i>Health Science</i> Joplin	Shores, Daniel Keith <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Diamond	Warmoth, Anthony Wayne <i>CIS- Information Technology</i> Joplin
Obeto, Joachim Eromosele <i>CIS- Information Technology</i> Joplin	Rainey, Shannon L. <i>Industrial Engineering Technology</i> Oronogo	Sitton, Amanda Nichole <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Monett	Williams, Beth Ann <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Lucerne
Osborn, Danelle Rana <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Miami, OK	Rogers, Warren Scott <i>CIS- Information Technology</i> Neosho	Spears, Lindsay Ann <i>Criminal Justice Administration, Juvenile Justice</i> Anderson	Wilson, Zachary Loren <i>Criminal Justice Administration</i> Joplin

Bachelor of General Studies

Aldrighetti, John Michael <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	Fussell II, John Mathus <i>General Studies</i> Carl Junction	Keller, James David <i>General Studies</i> Centerville, IA	Riggs, Angelika D. <i>General Studies</i> Miami, OK
Bourne, Margaret K. <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	Guerriero, Georgia Mae <i>General Studies</i> Pierce City	Lawson, Cheryl Anne <i>General Studies</i> Neosho	Robson, Lauren Nicole <i>General Studies</i> Lee's Summit
Couch, Ashlee Anne <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	Hailey, Ashley Ann <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	Marsh, Robert Thomas <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	Smith, Jason Paul <i>General Studies</i> Miller
Davis, Amanda Katlin <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	Happs, Tracy Lynn <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	McCaffrey, John Patrick <i>General Studies</i> Monett	Snow, Spencer Gregory <i>General Studies</i> Joplin
Demery, Rochelle Lynn <i>General Studies</i> Carl Junction	Harper, Wade O'Neil <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	McCarty, Brandy Michelle <i>General Studies</i> Joplin	Thomas, B. Kelly <i>General Studies</i> Joplin
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ALMA MATER

Words by Mary Laird,
Class of '39

Music by Emerson Jackson,
Class of '39



Our Al - ma Ma - ter, we ho - nor thee,



shap - ing and guid - ing our de - sti - ny.



Af - ter we have part - ed as the years roll by;



we'll keep each me - mo - ry hail, hail to thee.

Missouri Southern State University's "Alma Mater" was drafted during the Joplin Junior College second year by a group that included Mary Laird, Joan Epperson, Enos Currey, Ellen Beasley, and Emerson Jackson. Laird was principally responsible for the lyrics while Jackson set it to music. It was first sung during a Class-Day program in 1939.

Academic Attire

As early as the twelfth century the first modern universities, at Bologna and Paris, were centers of European learning. The usual garb of the time, for both churchmen and laymen, was a long gown which was necessary for warmth in the unheated buildings of the day. Scholars, generally members of churchorders, wore such robes and also hoods to protect their shaven heads. Later, skull caps were worn on the head, and the hood became a cape which could be pulled over the head in unpleasant weather. The hood was also sometimes used to collect alms from the more affluent members of the community. As additional universities were founded, distinctive forms of the gown and hood were adopted by their faculties. Variations indicated ranks within the institutions. Strict rules were published and in some cases punishment cited for tailors who departed from the authorized design.

The academic hat was a later development, adapted from the headdress of the ordinary people. Academically, it was originally worn as a symbol of the master's degree, and existed in various forms: some were round, some square and some had a tuft in the center. The flat, square "mortar board" of today originated at Oxford University in England.

Academic costume came to America in 1754 with the founding of King's College, now Columbia University. Styles became quite varied as they were in Europe, but in 1895 a group of American college and university representatives met to establish a uniform system of academic apparel for this country. This led to the establishment in 1902 of an "Intercollegiate Code of Academic Costume." The American Council of Education formed a committee in 1932 to review the 1895 code, which was again reviewed and revised in both 1960 and 1965.

There are today three basic types of gowns and hoods. The bachelor's gown has pointed sleeves and is designed to be worn closed. Recipients of the associate degrees wear gray gowns designed like the bachelor's gown. The master's gown is designed with an oblong sleeve, open at the wrist and with an arc cut away at the front of the sleeve. It may be worn either open or closed. The doctoral gown is of a full design with voluminous sleeves, and it also may be worn open or closed. Unlike the other two, the doctoral gown is faced down the front with velvet and with three velvet bars on the sleeves. These may be black or a color related to the subject of the degree. Thus, arts, letters and humanities may be white, business degrees may be drab or sapphire blue, education uses light blue, fine arts is brown, music is pink and science is golden yellow, to name a few.

The caps are always black, with a black tassel for baccalaureate degrees and a tassel of the color indicated above for master's. Doctoral caps usually have a tassel of metallic gold color.

The hoods worn by master's degree recipients are lined with the official colors of the institution awarding the degree. The binding and edging of the hood is silk or velvet in the color pertaining to the subject area. Doctoral hoods are longer and designed somewhat fuller, but the colors again are those of the institution granting the degree for the lining, and of the subject for the wide edging. There exists a small bachelor's hood, but generally it is not used in this country.

The hoods represented in MSSU ceremonies are a combination of colors from each of the collaborating institutions. Traditional colors and corresponding fields of study are:

Brown:	Fine Arts
Crimson:	Journalism
Dark Blue:	Philosophy
Golden Yellow:	Science
Lemon Yellow:	Library Science
Light Blue:	Education
Pink:	Music
Purple:	Law
Sage Green:	Physical Education
Scarlet:	Theology
White:	Arts, Letters, Humanities
Yellow Brown:	Commerce, Business, Accountancy



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